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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FONMIN VIGNES DEPARTS FOR UNITED STATES

REF STATE 68519

1. AMBASSADOR AND MRS HILL SAW FONMIN AND MRS VIGNES OFF AT EZEIZA AIRPORT ON EVENING OF APR 7. IN A CORDIAL CONVERSATION WITH THE FONMIN, VIGNES INFORMED THE AMBASSADOR THAT HE WAS HAVING HIS PERSONAL PHYSICIAN ACCOMPANY HIM ON THE TRIP, NOT BECAUSE OF ANY SPECIFIC HEALTH PROBLEM, BUT RATHER BECAUSE HIS HEAVY WORK SCHEDULE IN RECENT WEEKS HAS FATIGUED HIM, AND HE FELT HE SHOULD TAKE HIS PHYSICIAN ALONG AS A PRECAUTION. VIGNES RAISED NO SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES. MRS HILL AND MRS VIGNES ALSO HAD A CORDIAL TALK DURING WHICH VIGNES INTRODUCED MRS HILL TO SEVERAL OF HER FRIENDS WHO HAD COME TO SEE VIGNES AND HIS WIFE OFF.

2. AT AIRPORT VIGNES TOLD REPORTERS THAT HE INTENDED WHILE IN US TO DISCUSS ARGENTINE PREOCCUPATION WITH CUBAN ISOLATION FROM THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM. HE PLACED THIS WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF ARGENTINA'S FOREIGN POLICY OF RESPECTING IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES AND SEEKING TO STRENGTHEN ITS ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, AND CULTURAL RELATIONS WITH ALL NATIONS. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT GOA PLANNED TO RAISE ISSUE OF SHARED NATURAL RESOURCES AT SPECIAL UNGA.

3. WITH REGARD TO SUBJECTS RAISED REFTTEL, EMBASSY BELIEVES
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THAT FONMIN VIGNES' ENGLISH IS ADEQUATE FOR SOCIAL EVENTS

AND IS UNAWARE OF ANY SPECIAL HEALTH PROBLEMS OR DIETARY RESTRICTIONS.

4. VIGNES PARTY, WITHOUT NOTIFYING EMBASSY, DECIDED AT LAST MOMENT TO DISEMBARK AND ENTER US AT MIAMI INSTEAD OF NEW YORK. HILL

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